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## THE EDITOR'S TABLE

(Appropriate current library literature will be noted in this column if sent to J. I. Wyer, Jr., State Library, Albany, N. Y.)

**An leabharlann;** v. 1-2 (4 nos.) Dublin, 1905-7.

The journal of An Cumann na leabharlann (the Irish library association) which was established 4 years ago for the purpose of educating public sentiment in Ireland in favor of libraries, of establishing libraries and of promoting literary and bibliographic endeavor. Its contents are of permanent worth and of interest to library workers everywhere. Number one of vol. three is now in preparation. The society's office is in the Public library, Lr. Kevin st. Dublin.

**Catalog rules:** author and title entries. Compiled by committees of the American Library Association and the (British) Library Association. 164 p. O. A. L. A. publishing board, 1908. 60c.

**Index to library literature.** An interesting prospectus comes from H. G. T. Cannons, Borough librarian of the Finsbury (Eng.) public libraries, who is compiling a "Classified chronological index to the professional periodical literature 1876-1908." It will index complete files of about 20 British and American serials and will be ready early in the new year.

**Kildal, Arne.** Selected list of Norwegian and Danish books recommended for small public libraries (Foreign list, no. 4) A. L. A. publishing board, 1908. 25c.

**Kroeger, A. B.** Guide to reference books. New edition, enlarged. 164 p. O. A. L. A. publishing board, 1908. \$1.50.

—Aids to book selection (Library handbook, no. 4) 20 p. D. A. L. A. publishing board, 1908. 15c.

**League of library commissions.** Small library buildings; a collection of plans with introd. and notes by Cornelia Marvin. 102 p. O. A. L. A. publishing board, 1908. \$1.25.

Plans and pictures of 18 public libraries, chiefly in Iowa and Wisconsin, ranging in cost from \$2600 to \$75,000 and of 2 small college libraries. The introduction and

notes probably form the best body of practical principles, hints, facts and criticism about library buildings and furniture yet collected.

**Marks, L. B.** Design of the illumination of the New York City Carnegie libraries. 32 p. O.

A paper read before the Illuminating engineering society, Philadelphia, Oct. 5-6, 1908. Fully illustrated and with plans and drawings. The author (Terminal bldg. Park ave. and 41st st. New York city) will furnish copies on request.

**Minnesota public library commission;** Library notes and news; v. 2, no. 7; Sep. 1908.

Chiefly an account of the Minnetonka conference.

**New York libraries;** v. 1, no. 5; Oct. 1908.

The leading articles are The library and the immigrant, part 2, J. Maud Campbell—A librarian's reading, Corinne Bacon—Classic fiction (a digest of 13 lists of "100 best novels") N. L. Goodrich—Collections of poetry for children, Martha T. Wheeler.

**New York state library.** Finding list of books in the Library for the blind. 60 p. 1908.

Several hundred titles of books, music and periodicals in 5 types, chiefly in New York Point.

—Selected national bibliographies. 40 p. Dec. 1908. 10c. (Library school bulletin 26)

A revision of Bulletin 7 in the same series published in 1900 and which has been out of print for some time.

**Palmgren, Valfrid.** Americanska bibliotek och bibliotekssträffanden (Ord och Bild, Aug. 1908. 20 p.)

—Barnbiblioteken i Amerika. (Tidskriften Dagny, 1908, nos. 17-18)

—Den Americanska biblioteksfrörelsens utveckling under de sista decennierna (Folkbiblioteksbladet, 1908, no. 1)

These articles, the literary results of Miss Palmgren's American visit of last year, testify abundantly to her keen observation and diligence with the camera.

**Report of the librarian of the [U. S.]**

Bureau of education for the year ending June 30, 1908. 14 p. 1908.

The first report of Mr W. D. Johnston's reorganization.

**Springfield (Mass.) city library association.** Some modern verse; a partial list of recent poetry in the library. 25 p. 1908.

An unusual feature of this somewhat informal finding list is the significant or typical stanzas which accompany many of the titles.

**Vermont board of library commissioners;** Seventh biennial report, 1907-8.

Good library map of the state; full statistics; 26 attractive pictures of buildings and interiors. Contains a portrait and appreciation of Miss Sarah C. Hagar.

**Vermont library commission bulletin;** v. 4, no. 2; Sep. 1908.

Describes meetings of the Vermont library institute and Vermont library association, June 29-July 5, 1908.

**Wisconsin library bulletin;** v. 4, no. 4; July-Aug. 1908.

The entire number is devoted to a symposium and the results of a questionnaire on "Problems of discipline," especially with younger readers.

## NOTES AND NEWS

**National association of state libraries.** Dr Asa C. Tilton of the Wisconsin Historical society library has been appointed Acting Secretary-Treasurer *vice* Minnie M. Oakley resigned.

**League of library commissions.** The mid-winter meeting, now an annual feature of the League's work, will be held in Chicago, Jan. 4-6, 1909. Definite arrangements have not been concluded as to place of meeting and headquarter's hotel but the secretary, Clara F. Baldwin, Minnesota public library commission, St. Paul, Minn. will be glad to hear from those desiring information or who expect to attend. The program will consist of reports of committees, informal discussions of commission problems with special emphasis on various phases of field work.

**Library meeting in Seattle.** About June

15-20, 1909, the Washington state library association and the librarians of Oregon and British Columbia expect to hold an important meeting in connection with the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition in Seattle. Attractive rates from the east will prevail. Mr Franklin F. Hopper, Librarian of the Tacoma (Wash.) public library and secretary of the Washington state library association will be glad to be advised at once, or as soon as may be, of any librarian who expects to be in attendance.

**Museum librarians.** A delightful apologia for the Museum librarian, by Miss Jane Wright is in "Public Libraries" for November and now comes word that they are interested in knowing each other better and arranging an informal round-table meeting at the next A. L. A. conference. Librarians of museums should correspond with Miss Mary Van Horne, librarian of the Art institute, Chicago, who is interested in carrying out this plan.

**Manual of library economy.** A committee of three with Miss Alice B. Kroeger chairman, serving at the instance and request of the Publishing board is preparing a Manual of library economy upon a plan similar to the World's fair papers of 1893, now out of print and somewhat out of date. It will contain about 35 chapters, 300 pages and will aim to represent the consensus of present theory and practice, without elaborate details.

## NEW MEMBERS

Goodfellow, Maud A., In. State Normal Sch. L., Fitchburg, Mass. 4563.  
Henry and Clara W. Morton Mem. L., Pine Hill, N. Y. (Augusta B. Walsh, In.) 4562.  
Hodgkins, Mabel, In. New Hampshire Coll., Durham, N. H. 4560.  
Howell, Edward A., In. P. L., Reading, Pa. 4561.  
Ormes, Manly D., In. Colorado Coll., Colorado Springs, Col. 4564.  
Raney, M. L., acting In. Johns Hopkins Univ. L., Baltimore, Md. 4558.  
Wilde, Mary P., In. Niles L. Assoc., Niles, O. 4559.